Dr. Sun postposed his departure for the South until February 15, by which time he had received more reassuring news. He stated on the eve of sailing that

> [k] [c]he was returning to Canton at the invitation of the Government, and will endeavour to carry out a policy of disarmament of all troops in the Southern area as soon as it may be practicable. He believes that as long as various factions possess large quantities of arms the reunification of *Chin^ is* impossible. He pledged himself to work as hard as possible for his earliest ideal, namely, the unification of China, but believed that it could not be brought about through further bloodshed.''

As he appeared on this occasion to be bringing peace, instead of the sword, with him, the British authorities at Hongkong extended a friendly reception to him. He was entertained at Government House, and permitted to deliver an address at Hongkong University. The half hour speech in which he rhapsodized over the condition of the British Colony is of interest in view of his violently anti-British pronouncements less than two years later. Here it is in full:—

> **I feel as though I had returned home, because Hongkong and its University are my intellectual birthplace. I have never before been able to answer the question properly, but now I feel I am in a position to answer it to-day. The question is: 'Where did I get my revolutionary and modern ideas from ?' The answer is : "I got them in this very place, in the Colony of Hongkong. 'I am going to tell you how I got those "ideas.
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> More than thirty years ago I was studying in Hongkong and spent a great deal of my spare time in walking the streets of the Colony. Hongkong impressed me a great deal because there was orderly cafrn, and because there was artistic work

being done without interruption. I went to my home in Heung S«han twice a year, and immediately noticed the difference. There was disorder instead of order, insecurity instead of security. When I arrived at home I had to be my own policeman and my own protector. The first matter for my care was to see my rifle was in order, and to make